

Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Geography

1. Why did certain cities settle where they did?  
Denver settled in between the plains and the foothills so people had access to water and flat land.
2. What are some specific geographical features to your state? to grow crops.  
Rocky mountains, Blue Mesa, Colorado River, plains, foothills, mountains.
3. How does the physical location of your state affect its relationship with neighboring states?  
Other countries? Colorado shares the Rocky Mountains with other states and therefore needs to share the water generated by the mountains. Denver maintains sister city relationships with other countries.
4. What physical characteristics might have led various cultural groups to settle in your state?  
Because Colorado is geographically close to Mexico, we have a large representation of that culture.
5. How does human activity affect the physical geography?  
Humans create roads, buildings, and structures and can affect geography by altering it.
6. How does the physical geography affect human activity?  
Geography affects humans because it can determine where people live and what they do for work.

**Directions:** Use the information from your research above to create a paragraph convincing people of the geographic benefits of your state to use in your commercial.

Majestic mountains, famous foothills, and simple plains all make Colorado unique. When you travel to Colorado, you will have the opportunity to see the rivers rush down the Rockies, explore the sites of Blue Mesa, and enjoy a centralized geography near Mexico and not far from Canada. The people of Colorado have transformed the physical geography of the state into ski resorts, hiking trails, and just about any indoor activity imaginable.

Works Cited:

globaldenver.org

## Civics

1. What are some issues faced by your state government? *- education, more!  
- Agricultural youth drivers licenses  
- Cigarette possession by a minor*
2. What are the differing points of view on one of these particular issues?  
*One side argues that it is not safe for kids without a valid license to drive any vehicle while another side argues that young kids need to be able to drive to help on the farm*
3. What are some of the individuals or organizations that have been important to the development of the government? Why are they important?  
*Governor John Hickenlooper - helps appoint and select people which will improve the Colorado tax committee*
4. Why is your state constitution important to its residents?  
*Our constitution contains the rules for our state and government operate. It says the people (us) elect the government and then we give the government its power*

**Directions:** Use the information from your research above to create a paragraph telling people of the strengths of your state government to use in your commercial.

*With Governor Hickenlooper leading the charge, Colorado's government has tackled many challenging issues from education funding to youth drivers licenses for agricultural purposes. The people of this beautiful state honor the constitution by electing the leaders and allowing the leaders to have the power to make change happen.*

Works Cited:

*coloradostate.gov*

## Economics

1. What are some goods and services that are unique to your state?
  - Denver International Airport, ski industry
  - Large exporter of beef, head lettuce, potatoes
2. How has science and technology changed the economics of your state?

Denver has a "one-bounce satellite" since it is in a centrally located time zone.
3. Why should tourists visit your state?

To ski! To hike! Easy access to any airport and indoor or outdoor activities.

**Directions:** Use the information from your research above to create a paragraph informing people of the economic benefits of your state to use in your commercial.

Colorado has a wealth of resources for any tourists. Just hop on a plane to our beautiful International Airport and take a shuttle to the Rocky Mountains to enjoy a ski experience unlike any other state. Colorado is also a main producer of several agricultural products including beef, lettuce, and potatoes so you know that much of what you put on your dinner table is locally grown.

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Draft of Commercial

Introduction (this should be a compelling statement about your state).

Colorado's physical beauty combined with the values and hard work of the people make it a state you will not want to leave.

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Closing Statement (End with a memorable statement to convince people to travel to your state)

As you can see Colorado has an infinite number of adventures as you make your travelling plans.

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none